

Fulbright *highlights*

BOARD BUSINESS

Board Members

The Board welcomed the following members for three-year terms in the Spring of 2003: Dr. Richard H. Brodhead, President, Duke University, Durham, North Carolina; Ms. Rita DiMartino, Special Consultant for International and Governmental Affairs, New York, New York; Mr. Ronald P. Spogli, Founding Partner, Freeman Spogli & Co., Los Angeles, California; Mr. Robert L. Woodson, Sr., President and CEO, National Center for Neighborhood Enterprise, Washington, DC. They succeeded Mr. Hoyt Purvis, Mrs. Victoria McCammon Murphy, Mr. Gus Weill and Mr. Lee Williams.

Four new members were appointed to the Board by President George W. Bush toward the end of 2003: Dr. Robert H. Bruininks, President, University

of Minnesota, Minneapolis, Minnesota; Dr. John Sibley Butler, Professor of Management and Sociology, McCombs School of Business, University of Texas at Austin, Texas; Ms. Shirley Moore Green of Austin, Texas, now retired, former Director of Communication Services for the Attorney General of Texas; Professor Thomas T. Lyons, a retired Teacher of Phillips Academy, Andover from Newburyport, Massachusetts. They succeeded Senator Birch Bayh, Dr. Sara Castro-Klaren, Mr. Alan H. Schechter and Mrs. Caroline A. Matano Yang.

Elections of Officers

Vice Chair **Steven J. Uhlfelder** was elected Chair of the J. William Fulbright Foreign Scholarship Board (FSB) at the December 2003 quarterly meeting. He succeeded **Caroline A. Matano Yang** who served as Chair in 2002 and 2003. Dr. Richard H. Brodhead was subsequently elected Vice Chair in February 2004.

left: John Sibley Butler, Jan O'Neill, Shirley Moore Green, Thomas T. Lyons, Steven J. Uhlfelder, Rita DiMartino and Robert H. Bruininks • middle: Alan Schechter, Caroline A. Matano Yang and Senator Birch Bayh • right: Ronald P. Spogli, Richard H. Brodhead, Rita DiMartino, and Robert L. Woodson, Sr.





Board members at their May 2004 meeting in Austin, Texas. (left to right) Thomas T. Lyons, Dr. John Sibley Butler, Rita DiMartino, Robert L. Woodson, Sr., Jan O'Neill, Donald Vermeil, Chair Steven J. Uhlfelder, John W. Johnson, Shirley Moore Green, Ronald P. Spogli, and Dr. Robert H. Bruininks. (not pictured: Dr. Richard Brodhead)

BOARD MEETINGS

Commission Directors

Three Fulbright Commission Executive Directors participated in Board meetings during the year 2003: Alain McNamara, Executive Director, Jordanian-American Commission for Educational Exchange; Nancy Ahson, (then) Executive Director, United States Educational Foundation in Pakistan; and Ms. Pornpip Kanjananiyot, Executive Director, Thailand-United States Educational Foundation.



above: First Lady Laura Bush with Afghan teachers. below: Board members Jan O'Neill, Robert Woodson, Chair Steven J. Uhlfelder, and Rita DiMartino with English language Afghan teachers Bilqees Habeebi and Mahboohah Ghanizaadah following the teachers' meeting with the Board. White House photo by Susan Sterner



Afghan Teachers

The Board invited two teachers who were participants in the Afghan Teacher program to its quarterly meeting in December of 2003. They were part of the second group of Afghan teachers sponsored by the State Department's Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs (ECA). The teachers were just ending their six-week stay in the United States for a program administered with the University of Nebraska at Omaha. The first group of teachers to come to the United States were basic education teachers; the second group were English teachers who, as part of their training, received instruction in computer technology and methodology of teaching English as a foreign language.

Austin, Texas

The Board held its quarterly meeting in May 2004 on the campus of the University of Texas, at Austin, the first time the Board had met outside of Washington, DC, since 1996. The meeting was chaired by Steven J. Uhlfelder. Member John Sibley Butler, Professor of Management and Sociology at the McCombs School of Business at UT Austin, hosted the meeting which began with a reception for the Board members, attended by the University's President Dr. Larry Faulkner and Fulbrighters on exchange at UT Austin and other institutions in the Austin area. During the meeting, the Board heard from two panels, consisting of UT Austin administrators who coordinate U.S. and visiting student and scholar international exchange programs, and a second panel of current Fulbrighters and alumni.



Fulbright alumnus, Congressman Max Burns, stands behind (then) Chair Caroline Yang in his office on Capitol Hill. (Left to right) Former Chair Alan Schechter, Robert L. Woodson, Sr., Jan O'Neill, John W. Johnson, Senator Birch Bayh and Donald Vermeil.

ALUMNI

CONGRESSMAN MAX BURNS

At the April quarterly meeting, Board members gathered in the Washington office of Congressman Max Burns (R-GA), who was a Fulbright Scholar to Sweden in 1993. Congressman Burns reminisced about his cross-cultural experiences as a Fulbrighter in Sweden and the impact those experiences had on him and on his family. He termed the experiences life-changing and said that he was fortunate that during his grant period he was able to travel around Sweden, thus increasing his understanding of his host country's culture. The Congressman reiterated his continuing support for the Fulbright Program.

Congressional Staff Panel

The Board welcomed at its June 2003 quarterly meeting several distinguished Fulbright alumni who were working for the U.S. Congress. Discussion focused on the congressional staffers' Fulbright experiences abroad and how these influenced their lives as well as their careers. The panelists suggested ways to extend the Fulbright Program's impact and outreach and on ways to build upon the large network of Fulbright alumni. The panelists were:

JONAH B. BLANK, Professional Staff Member, Minority Staff of the Senate Committee on Foreign Relations-Fulbright Student to Pakistan

MICHAEL HALTZEL, Senior Professional Staff Member, Minority Staff of the Senate Committee on Foreign Relations-Fulbright Student to Germany

l to r: Fulbright alumni Katherine Hennessey, Michael Haltzel, and Jonah B. Blank



KATHERINE HENNESSEY, Professional Staff Member, Majority Staff of the Subcommittee on Commerce, State and the Judiciary, Senate Committee on Appropriations-Fulbright Student to Italy

BOARD TRAVEL

Seoul/Beijing/Shanghai/Hong Kong

Chair Steven J. Uhlfelder traveled to East Asia in June 2004, visiting the Republic of Korea and China. In Seoul, he met with the Executive Director and staff of the Fulbright Commission as well as with members of its Board. In China, Uhlfelder visited Beijing, Shanghai and Hong Kong. Throughout his visit he met with officials from Ministries of Education, presidents of universities, current Fulbrighters and alumni of the Fulbright Program.



Chair Steven J. Uhlfelder at a meeting at Yonsei University in Seoul with (l to r) Dr. Gap-Young Jung, Dean of Academic Affairs; Dr. Chang-Young Jung, the President of Yonsei University; Mr. Uhlfelder; Horace H. Underwood, then Executive Director of the Fulbright Commission; and Dr. Young-Sun Lee, who is the Dean of the Graduate School of International Studies.

Belgium and Spain

(Then) Vice Chair Steven J. Uhlfelder attended the 24th Conference of Fulbright Executive Directors from Europe in October 2003 in Brussels. Uhlfelder offered welcoming remarks on behalf of the Fulbright Board. He found the conference to be a valuable opportunity to engage in discussions with so many of the region's Executive Directors. Uhlfelder also met with Fulbright students while in Belgium, encouraging them to stay in touch with each other and encouraging their engagement in projects reaching beyond their present exchange environment. They were very receptive to the idea of community involvement. Uhlfelder went on to Spain where he and Executive Director Maria Jesus Pablos met with Fulbrighters and program officials, both in Barcelona and Madrid; the participants there also were interested in finding ways to become more involved in projects extending beyond their studies.

Uruguay

Board Member Rita DiMartino participated in the regional meeting of the Executive Directors of the Fulbright Commissions of the Western Hemisphere in Punta del Este, Uruguay, December 2003. DiMartino extended the greetings of the Fulbright Board and her

remarks conveyed the Board's interest in community and volunteer service by Fulbrighters. The conference discussions were substantive and covered a range of topics, including cost sharing in the Fulbright Program. Ms. DiMartino appreciated this unique opportunity to engage with the principal administrators of the Fulbright Program associated with the Western Hemisphere region.



Rita DiMartino

Portugal and Spain

Chair Caroline Yang addressed the opening session of the second Fulbright Brainstorms Conference in Lisbon in February 2003. Organized by the Fulbright Commission in Portugal, the conference was supported by the GlaxoSmithKline Foundation and the Luso-American Foundation. The Chair called the conference a mini-Fulbright cross-cultural experience for the audience of approximately 150, which included leading figures of the medical and health professions in Portugal. Yang visited the Fulbright Program in Spain following her visit to Lisbon, participating in events underscoring the vital role of cost sharing in the Program. She called on U.S. Ambassador George L. Argyros to thank him for his generous contribution to the Fulbright Program.

NAFSA

Chair Caroline Yang and Deputy Staff Director Lesley Vossen attended the NAFSA (Association of International Educators) annual meeting in Salt Lake City, Utah, in May 2003. The Board's Staff Director Pat Kern Schaefer and Deputy Staff Director attended the Baltimore 2004 NAFSA conference. At both meetings, panels of Fulbright alumni discussed their Fulbright experiences and the extraordinary impact the Program had on their lives. A number of Executive Directors of Fulbright Commissions also participated in both NAFSA conferences.

POLICIES

The Board issued its 8th Revised Policies in March 2004. It is the first time the Board issued an all-electronic version. The Policies can be found on the Board's website: <http://exchanges.state.gov/education/fulbright/ffsb/policies>

MEDIA INITIATIVES

Fulbright Announcement Day

A pilot project to create a Fulbright Announcement Day for U.S. Student grantees was recommended by the Board's media subcommittee. "Announcement Day" took place on June 19, 2003 when the Department of State and the J. William Fulbright Foreign Scholarship Board jointly announced on the Department's website the 2003-04 Fulbright awards to more than a thousand U.S. students. Through the website, the name, host country, field of study and home institution of each student were published.

Publicity

The Board, concerned that grantees were not always aware of the legacy of the Fulbright Program and its mission, reviewed annual grants announcements and other materials to be sure they contained basic information about the history and objectives of the Program. The Board's staff prepared outreach packets about the program for the Board members.

Certificates

Starting in 2003, upon their selection, Fulbright grantees were given the certificate "What It Means to Be A Fulbrighter," to underscore the fact that being a Fulbrighter is a lifelong commitment. The certificate is suitable for framing and contains a brief summary of the Program and its distinguished alumni.

PROGRAM IMPROVEMENT

The Board focused on ways to further enhance the Fulbright Program and ensure that it will continue to be relevant and dynamic in the future. The Board reviewed program application forms, as well as final reporting requirements for Fulbrighters, encouraging close follow up with grantees and the promotion of community involvement and host community outreach. In addition, the Board discussed the range of subject fields that grantees pursue. The Board also considered ways to afford students with no previous study abroad experience an exchange opportunity.

Iraq

Ambassador L. Paul Bremer and Deputy Secretary of State Richard L. Armitage announced the reestablishment of the Fulbright Program in Iraq in October 2003. The first group of Fulbright grantees to subsequently come to the United States from Iraq in 14 years included 23 students and two scholars. Their fields of study included public health, public administration, business, journalism, law, and English teaching, among others. Patricia S. Harrison, the Assistant Secretary for Educational and Cultural Affairs, stated, "This initiative is representative of America's long-term commitment to Iraq through exchange programs."

Afghanistan

Deputy Secretary of State Richard L. Armitage, Assistant Secretary Patricia S. Harrison, and Afghan Ambassador to the United States Ishaq Shahryar marked the reestablishment of the Fulbright Program with Afghanistan at a ceremony in May 2003 that highlighted the U.S. commitment to rebuild Afghanistan and strengthen bilateral relations. A one-year, non-degree Fulbright educational program in the United States was established for young Afghan men and women graduating as university seniors, as well as for academically qualified women who were deprived of formal study during the Taliban era. The first group of Fulbrighters from Afghanistan to come to the United States since 1980 arrived in Summer 2004.

l to r: Assistant Secretary Patricia S. Harrison joined by (first row) Deputy Secretary Richard L. Armitage, Afghan Ambassador Ishaq Shahryar, and Assistant Secretary Christina Rocca; (second row) former Fulbright Scholar to Afghanistan and Executive Director of the Fulbright Commission in Afghanistan (1964–74) and current Dean of International Studies and Programs at the University of Nebraska at Omaha Thomas Goutti  re, and Abdul Mehrpore, Afghan Fulbrighter to the United States (1978–79) of the Voice of America.



Partnerships for Learning

Partnerships for Learning (P4L), launched by the Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs in 2003, is a global initiative designed to reach out to a younger and more diverse audience and reengage the successor generation in a dialogue for greater understanding through expanded academic and professional exchange programs, including the Fulbright Program. P4L is a long-term effort to enhance educational exchanges and reach the younger generation, under-represented sectors of Muslim society, and U.S. citizens.



l to r: Assistant Secretary Patricia S. Harrison, CultureConnect Ambassador Mary Wilson, Deputy Secretary Richard L. Armitage, and Deputy Assistant Secretary Thomas Farrell at the Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs' Exchange Fair during International Education Week.

International Education Week

The fourth annual International Education Week was observed November 17–21, 2003. A variety of programs and events worldwide provided the opportunity to celebrate the benefits of international education and exchange worldwide. This joint initiative of the U.S. Department of State and the U.S. Department of Education promotes programs designed to prepare Americans for the global environment and attract future leaders from abroad to study, learn, and exchange experiences in the United States. A special feature of the week was the Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs' Exchange Fair held at the State Department's Harry S. Truman Building Exhibit Hall in Washington, DC. Its theme was 'Partnerships' and included more than 20 exhibit tables featuring videos, interactive maps, slide shows, books, and other materials. More than 30 participants in exchange programs and alumni attended.

New Century Scholars Program

In the New Century Scholars (NCS) Program, top academics and professionals once again collaborated for an academic year on a topic of global significance. The Distinguished Scholar Leader, Dr. Edward Tiryakian, Professor of Sociology at Duke University, and a group of scholars explored a new paradigm for conflict and peace studies as they engaged in individual and collaborative research around the 2002–2003 theme *Addressing Sectarian, Ethnic and Cultural Conflict Within and Across National Borders*. The group included ten U.S. scholars and 20 Visiting Scholars from around the globe. They sought to develop together the basis for a global human expert system to address a set of core problems focused on significant, deep-seated, violent conflicts that periodically erupt within and across national borders. Scholars focused on the conditions and sequencing within which violent ethnic conflicts break out in areas that have not previously had such conflicts; how conflicts are sustained once they erupt; the conditions under which third party intervention brings violent conflicts to an end; and the efficacy of third party intervention for certain kinds of conflicts. The NCS final public meeting *Fanning the Flames: Putting out the Fire: Ethnic Conflicts and the Peace Process* was held November 19, 2003, in Washington, DC. The U.S. Institute of Peace co-hosted the event.

SPECIAL FUNDING AND GIFTS

- The Japan–United States Educational Commission announced that Yasuhisa Mikami, Emeritus Professor at Tsuru University and a Fulbright alumnus, bequeathed his entire estate valued at more than one million U.S. dollars to the U.S.–Japan Fulbright Program. Professor Mikami, who died at the end of 2002 at the age of 73, studied Linguistic Theory and English Grammar at the University of Texas, Austin 1952–1953.
- As part of the Fulbright Commission’s fundraising campaign to support activities that contribute to the modernization of Peru, U.S. Ambassador to Peru John R. Dawson accepted a generous donation from Fulbright alumnus Óscar Espinosa Bedoya, general manager of Ferreyros, a local industrial corporation. Bedoya attributed his motivation to participate in events outside the business sphere to his experience in the United States during his postgraduate studies in engineering at North Carolina State University on a Fulbright Student grant.
- The Regional Government of Madrid pledged approximately \$950,000 over the next three years with the stipulation that the Fulbright Commission brings more U.S. grantees to the Madrid region. U.S. Ambassador to Spain and Andorra George L. Argyros Sr. has been a strong supporter of the Fulbright program, contributing a total of \$100,000 personally over a two-year period.
- Working with Fulbright Commissions in Finland, the Netherlands, Greece, and the United Kingdom, the New York-based Citigroup Foundation contributed \$68,000 in 2003 to support Fulbright grants for four students from those four countries.
- U.S. Ambassador to Bulgaria James Pardew and Bulgarian Minister of Education Igor Damyanov signed a renewal of the bilateral agreement establishing the Bulgarian–American Commission for Educational Exchange. The new agreement has established the Commission in perpetuity. The Government of Bulgaria pledged a contribution of \$40,000 to support the Fulbright exchange.



l to r: U.S. Ambassador John R. Dawson and Fulbright Program alumnus Óscar Espinosa Bedoya.

- As a result of an endowment agreement signed between the Jordanian-American Commission for Educational Exchange (Fulbright Commission) and Jordan's Ministry of Finance, more Jordanians will study in the United States and more Americans will study, conduct research, and lecture in Jordan. The agreement provides a seven million dollar equivalent endowment to the Commission to finance more graduate study opportunities and research awards.
- Assistant Secretary Patricia S. Harrison traveled to The Netherlands in February 2004 to take part in a Fulbright event sponsored by U.S. Ambassador Clifford Sobel and Mrs. Barbara Sobel, which raised funds through private sector partnerships in The Netherlands for as many as 15 additional Fulbright scholarships.

ANNIVERSARIES WORLDWIDE

- Fulbrighters, government officials, university rectors and other educators participated in the 10th Anniversary of the Fulbright Program in Moldova, organized by the U.S. Embassy and the Fulbright Alumni Association in Chisinau. Many distinguished guests spoke about the impact of the Fulbright Program on science, university research, economics, humanitarian studies, foreign language, and teaching in Moldova. A book about the Fulbright Program in Moldova was published to celebrate the anniversary and presented at the conference. Moldovan and U.S. Fulbright scholars contributed to the book by sharing their experiences abroad.
- The United States Educational Foundation in India (USEFI) celebrated the 53rd Anniversary of its Foundation Day at a colloquium in New Delhi. The Fulbright Alumni Association (Delhi Chapter) helped plan and moderate the event. Three Fulbright scholars of political science, sociology, and conflict resolution, shared their perspectives with the audience during a panel discussion.
- In Johannesburg, a ceremony was held November 21, 2003, in celebration of South Africa's 50th Anniversary of the Fulbright Program. Those attending included 11 of the South African Commission's 12 Board members, repre-

sentatives from the U.S. Embassy and South Africa's first Fulbrighter, Professor Stefans Grové, who studied music in the United States in the early 1950s. In congratulating the Fulbright Program on the occasion of its 50th Anniversary, Thami Mseleku, Director General of the Department of Education, said, *"May the aspirations of Senator Fulbright for international cooperation continue to be upheld and the objectives of the relations of our respective countries be realized."*

- The Fulbright Commission in Chile launched the Fulbright Program's 50th Anniversary celebration at a gala dinner attended by Fulbright Board members, scholars, university rectors, and government officials. Ambassador William R. Brownfield, Honorary Co-Chair of the Fulbright Commission, noted that Chile has the oldest Fulbright Commission in Latin America, as well as the third largest foreign student program in the world. Chilean President Ricardo Lagos and U.S. Secretary of Education Rod Paige sent congratulatory messages. Deputy Assistant Secretary for Academic Affairs Thomas Farrell represented the Department of State at the gala.
- The 50th Anniversary of the Finnish ASLA-Fulbright Alumni Association was held in November 2003. Over one hundred guests, distinguished alumni, and current grantees from Finland and the United States attended the event. Founded in December 1953, the Finnish ASLA-Fulbright Alumni Association is one of the oldest Fulbright Alumni organizations worldwide.
- The Bulgarian-American Fulbright Commission celebrated its 10th Anniversary in November 2003 at a conference titled *America in the 21st Century*. The Bulgarian Fulbright Commission and the Bulgarian American Studies Association organized the conference. The majority of presenters were Fulbright grantees and alumni.
- The Fulbright Commission in Egypt celebrated 54 years of binational cooperation between the United States and Egypt at the Annual Alumni dinner in December 2003. The keynote speakers were Dr. Hossam Badrawi, Chairman of the Educational Committee, People's Assembly, and Robert R. Gosende, Associate Vice Chancellor for International Programs, The State University of New York at Albany. Each year at the dinner, the Commission honors those individuals who have participated in the U.S.-Egyptian Fulbright Program.



above: Executive Directors, Public and Cultural Affairs Officers, and staff from the State Department and cooperating agencies at the European Regional Fulbright Conference.

- Executive Directors from the Fulbright Commissions of Europe, several Public Affairs Officers and Cultural Affairs Officers, and the Executive Directors of the Fulbright Offices in Russia and Ukraine took part in a late October conference focused on *Transatlantic Relations and European Integration: The Role of Educational Exchanges*. The Chargé d'Affaires of the U.S. Embassy in Brussels, the Chairman of the Belgium/Luxembourg Commission for Educational Exchange, Deputy Assistant Secretary Thomas Farrell (photo above, center front), and FSB Chair Steven Uhlfelder offered welcoming remarks to the assembled participants. In addition to presentations by the cooperating agencies and the Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs, there were discussions of *The Bologna Process and Issues of Transatlantic Academic Recognition*, and *Erasmus Mundus*.
- In December, the Executive Directors of Fulbright Commissions of the Western Hemisphere met in Punta del Este, Uruguay, along with Public Affairs Officers from U.S. Embassies in the Western Hemisphere to discuss regional issues. (See page IO.)

- The East Asia and Pacific Regional Conference of Executive Directors was held in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, in March 2004. Hosted by the Malaysian-American Commission on Educational Exchange (MACEE), the Conference program explored a broad range of issues and offered participants, many of whom were new to the Fulbright program since the last Regional Conference in 2001, the opportunity for an exchange of views with their colleagues. Attending—and offering formal presentations—were Executive Directors from the nine Fulbright Commissions in the region; Public Affairs and Cultural Affairs Officers from most of the countries in the region; and staff from the U. S. Department of State and cooperating agencies. The U.S. Ambassador to Malaysia, Marie T. Huhtala, welcomed the conferees, together with MACEE Board Chair, Dr. Lee Poh-Ping. Deputy Assistant Secretary Thomas Farrell delivered the opening plenary address. The next Regional Conference is planned for Sydney in 2006.

- The U.S. Educational Foundation in India (USEFI) organized *Sammalani*, an annual Mid-Year Conference for U.S. Fulbrighters, in the Indian State of Orissa. The Fulbright Commission and Public Affairs staff from South Asia along with 63 Fulbrighters attended. The conference focused on connections between individual Fulbright projects and the larger goals of the Fulbright program. Scholars presented their work and discussed their projects.

below: Foreign service nationals from U.S. Embassies, who work with the Fulbright Program and participated in the Uruguay conference, model their new Fulbright t-shirts.



- Secretary of State Colin L. Powell honored two U.S. veterans with the first Harrison H. Schmitt Leadership Awards for Alumni of the Fulbright Student Program. The recipients were Raymond Jefferson, then Deputy Director, Hawaii Department of Business, Economic Development and Tourism, who was a Fulbright Student to Singapore 2001–02, and Jason Santamaria, a management consultant, who was a Fulbright Student to Venezuela, 1993–94. The award was established to showcase the achievements of Fulbright alumni who served in the military and use this dual experience to help others.



Assistant Secretary of State Patricia S. Harrison delivers opening remarks at the Harrison H. Schmitt Award Ceremony, joined by (left to right) former Senator Harrison H. Schmitt, Fulbright alumnus, Secretary Colin L. Powell, and award recipients Raymond Jefferson and Jason Santamaria.
(Photo by Bill Petros)



l to r: The Honorable Hussain Shihab and Ambassador Jeffrey J. Lunstead.

- The Republic of Maldives joined the Fulbright Program when U.S. Ambassador Jeffrey J. Lunstead and the Honorable Hussain Shihab, Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Maldives, signed a memorandum of understanding in 2003.
- The U.S. Fulbright (Alumni) Association awarded the 2003 J. William Fulbright Prize for International Understanding to former President of Brazil Fernando Cardoso. The \$50,000 prize, made possible by a grant from The Coca-Cola Foundation, was presented to President Cardoso for his efforts in advancing human rights and development in Brazil and internationally. The Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary Miller Crouch delivered remarks and presented Fulbright pins to President Cardoso and his spouse Ruth Cardoso, both Fulbright Scholarship Program alumni.

- The Millennium Stage of the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts presented "An Evening of Cultural Performances from the Fulbright Scholar Program of the U.S. Department of State." Performers included dance choreographer and teacher Kausalya Srinivasan of India and noted pianist Dr. Franklin Larey of South Africa. *Nori*, a piece of fusion music composed by Dr. Jiesun Lim of Korea, was performed by a quartet on violin, flute, clarinet, and piano. Professor Naima Prevots, Director of the Dance Department at American University and a two-time Fulbright grantee, moderated the program.



clockwise: Dance choreographer and teacher Kausalya Srinivasan performs a traditional Indian dance, Dr. Franklin Larey of South Africa plays a Debussy prelude, and Dr. Jiesun Lim of the Republic of Korea offers her composition *Nori*, performed by Song-A Cho on violin, Nan Huh on flute, Hana Kim on clarinet and Junie Cho on piano, April 3, 2003.

- Fulbright New Zealand hosted a series of public lectures in association with the Victoria University's Centre for Continuing Education. Lectures were given by Michael Bassett, a Fulbright Visiting Professor of New Zealand Studies at Georgetown University in 2002. Bassett was a Cabinet Minister with New Zealand's Labour Government from 1984–90, and with Thomas Doherty (Fulbright Senior Specialist), Associate Professor of American Studies and Chair of the Film Studies Program at Brandeis University, Massachusetts.



left: U.S. Ambassador to Trinidad and Tobago Roy Austin with the former president of Trinidad and Tobago Mr. Justice Noor M. Hassanali • right: Fulbright Commission Directors Huba Bruckner of Hungary (second from left); Hana Ripkova from the Czech Republic (center); and Terhi Molsa from Finland (far right) with participants in the European Association of International Education conference.

- In celebration of International Education Week, the Cyprus Fulbright Commission asked 40 Fulbright and other scholarship alumni from different professional fields to talk to students about their professions, their experiences as students in the United States, and how an education in the U.S. shaped their careers in Cyprus. All high schools, colleges, and universities in Cyprus were invited and counselors and teachers arranged for groups of students to attend this event.



- In May, U.S. Ambassador to Trinidad and Tobago Roy Austin hosted a Fulbright reception in honor of former president of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago Mr. Justice Noor M. Hassanali. Hassanali was honored for his contribution to the *Fulbright 2000* program—a private/public sector venture initiated by the Embassy in 2000, with the indispensable assistance of local sponsors. The program offers scholarships for two-year master's degrees from leading universities in the United States.
- The Bulgarian Fulbright Commission organized its second Fulbright International Summer Institute in Pamporovo. The 32 undergraduate and graduate students were from the United States, Bulgaria, Poland, Romania, Serbia, and Pakistan. The Commission gave full scholarships to three students with disabilities. Nine interdisciplinary courses were offered in a variety of fields. They were conducted by Bulgarian and American Fulbright grantees and alumni.

- Fulbright Commissions from Austria, the Czech Republic, Finland, Hungary, and the Slovak Republic collaborated in sponsoring a booth at the largest international education fair in Europe. Organized by the European Association of International Education, the fair took place in Vienna, September 2003.
- Representatives from 55 state and private universities from all over Poland attended a workshop at Warsaw University to learn how to forge links with American universities. The Polish-U.S. Fulbright Commission and Embassy's Public Affairs Section in Warsaw co-organized the workshop, which included academicians, senior-level administrators, and educational advisers.
- In Phnom Penh, the Fulbright Alumni Association of Cambodia launched a Distinguished Lecture Series with a seminar on oral history. The president of the Association, Sorya Sim, discussed the oral history methodology used to describe a group of children abused by the Khmer Rouge in Tuol Sleng prison in the book *Victims and Perpetrators?*



above left: Humphrey Fellow Nabina Shrestha of Nepal, an import-export officer with the United Nations Development Program, makes a presentation about micro credit enterprise development in her country, at the *Leadership and Policy Development* seminar. above right: Bill May, (right) Senior Advisor to the Director, Office of Information Technology (IIP/IT), hosting a dinner party for a group of Humphrey Fellows, converses with Alaa El Shimy, who was studying at American University; and William Massaquoi, who was studying at MIT. (photo by Humphrey Fellow Vazgen Karapetyan of Armenia)

- A group of 137 Humphrey Fellows nominated by 79 posts and Fulbright Commissions convened in Washington, DC, in October 2003 to focus on strategic planning, conflict resolution, and coalition building in a seminar “Leadership and Policy Development.” They considered how to address common challenges in cooperation with one another and U.S. professional counterparts. Assistant Secretary Patricia S. Harrison hosted them at a reception at the State Department.
- Visiting Fulbright Scholars from abroad convened in March 2003 to discuss current and post-war U.S.-Iraq relations at a briefing with representatives from the Center for Strategic and International Studies in Washington. Twenty-five Fulbrighters from around the world focused on strategies for assisting in reconstruction efforts after the war.
- Fulbright Scholars from across the nation gathered in April 2003 for the annual Fulbright Visiting Scholar Washington Enrichment Conference. The conference focused on the theme *International Cooperation in a Borderless World: Exploring the U.S. Role in Global Health Governance*. Conferees also benefited from presentations by Fulbright New Century Scholars whose work relates to global health.
- Fulbright Teachers from 33 countries converged in Virginia for their orientation. Teachers and their families met with their exchange partners, as well as with

program alumni and staff. The 2003 Fulbright Teacher and Administrator Exchange Program Alumni Award was presented to Martha Hart, who was an exchange participant to the United Kingdom in 1972. Representatives attended from the Fulbright Commissions in France, Hungary, Mexico, and Peru, the U.S. Embassy in Finland, the British Council, and the French Ministry of Education. America’s 2003 National Teacher of the Year, Betsy Rogers, also participated.

- Fifty-nine new Fulbright grantees arrived in the Republic of Korea in early July to participate in the English Teaching Assistant Program. The program places recent college graduates as English teachers in middle and high school English classrooms throughout South Korea, aiming to give these Americans a cultural immersion experience, while also introducing Korean students to a native speaker of English and to American culture.

New grantees at Korea’s English Teaching Assistant Program orientation.





Visiting Fulbright Students enjoy a discussion during their New York City Enrichment Seminar.

- In the spring of 2003 and 2004, the Bureau of Education and Cultural Affairs with the Institute of International Education organized four-day enrichment seminars throughout the country for Fulbright foreign students in the United States. These seminars addressed topics of global importance, providing opportunities for 850 Fulbright students in 2003 and 930 Fulbright students in 2004 to travel beyond their campuses and host communities to meet one another and to hear from experts in a variety of fields. Topics for the seminars in 2003 included Conflict Resolution, Technology and Communications in a New Global Age, Gender Equity, Environment, and Global Health. In 2004, all the Seminars focused on *The Role of the Individual in a Civil Society*. These seminars also gave the Fulbrighters an opportunity to participate in community-based volunteer projects and to enjoy home hospitality provided by local U.S. Fulbright alumni, and in New York to visit 26 classrooms in local public high schools. In 2003 and 2004, the seminars took place in Denver, Houston, New York City, San Francisco, Chicago, and Washington, DC. In addition, there was an Atlanta seminar in 2003 and a Phoenix seminar in 2004.
- As part of the Fulbright Foreign Student Washington Enrichment Seminar in February 2004, 150 Fulbright foreign students from 85 countries and 11 U.S. alumni volunteered at charitable organizations throughout the Washington, DC area to experience firsthand volunteerism in the United States and the diversity of American society. One of seven regional seminars, the Washington program was designed to engage Fulbright students in a dialogue on the challenges and opportunities in a civil society.

- Argentina hosted a Regional Enhancement Seminar for U.S. Students, which took place in Buenos Aires in April. Forty grantees to Argentina, Brazil, Chile, and Uruguay participated in the program. The seminar provided an overview of Argentina: its history and traditions, music, system of education, and political system as well as an opportunity for the students to enjoy the cultural and tourist attractions of Buenos Aires. Similar seminars were held in Peru, Panama, and the Dominican Republic.

- More than 100 students and scholars attended a three-day Pre-Departure Orientation in Washington, DC, June 2003 for American Fulbrighters going to Sub-Saharan Africa. The participants learned about American policy in Africa, the Fulbright Program, and had the opportunity to meet with recently returned Fulbrighters. One of the highlights of the program was a presentation by Cliff Missen of the University of Iowa who had a recent Fulbright grant to Nigeria. Missen spoke of *Fulbright Exchanges: Building Lasting Links Electronically*. He provided practical, inexpensive, and inspiring ideas on prolonging Fulbright links in our wired world.

Fulbright Student Vivien Terrien of France (left) with a resident of Thomas House, an assisted living facility in Washington, DC. Fulbright Foreign Student Washington Enrichment Seminar participants also volunteered at the Capital Area Food Bank, Emmaus Services for the Aging, Goodwill Industries, and Ronald McDonald House.





St. Louise's School Principal, Sister Roseleen McMahon (right), shares an old photo with Fulbright Teacher alumna Dolores Kendrick on Kendrick's return visit to the Belfast school after 40 years.

- Dolores Kendrick, the Poet Laureate of Washington, DC, attended the Annual Belfast Teacher Conference. Kendrick participated in the Fulbright Teacher Exchange Program in Belfast in 1963. The highlight of the trip, Kendrick reported, was her return to St. Louise's School where she taught during her Fulbright exchange.



Iraqi doctors, nurses and students at workstations at the newly opened computer center at the health education library of the University of Baghdad's Medical City Center.

- Fulbright alumnus Dr. Gary Selnow, the Executive Director of WIRED International (World Internet Resources for Education and Development), led a project designed to provide computer technology and training to medical students in Baghdad. The initiative brought a ten workstation computer center with a 130 disk CD-ROM health education library to the Medical City Center of the University of

Baghdad, the largest teaching hospital in Iraq. Selnow conceived the ideal for his organization, WIRED, while he was a Fulbright Scholar at the University of Zagreb in Croatia in the 1990s.

- As part of a "global classroom" program bringing Fulbright scholars into New York City schools, Hilary Dornan, a Fulbright Scholar from the United Kingdom, delivered a series of presentations entitled "Great Britain: People, Politics and Policing" to students and teachers at Edward A. Reynolds West Side High School.



Fulbright Scholar Hilary Dornan of the UK (third from right) with students at Edward A. Reynolds West Side High School in New York City.

- Jose Hernandez-Rebollar, a Fulbright Student from Mexico studying electrical engineering at George Washington University in Washington, DC, announced the development of an electronic glove that can convert American Sign Language gestures into spoken words or text. Hernandez-Rebollar is exploring additional applications, such as using the "AcceleGlove" to translate American Sign Language into spoken Spanish.

- After completing a Fulbright Scholar grant on caring for AIDS orphans in Malawi, Dr. Betty Beard, a professor of nursing at Eastern Michigan University, addressed models of care for vulnerable children and AIDS orphans in Botswana. More than 40 government officials and orphan care providers from the community attended her presentation on "Best Practices in Different Models of Orphan Care" which was a catalyst for many government officials to work with NGOs in providing orphan care.

- Just weeks after beginning her Humphrey Fellowship at American University, Hauwa Ibrahim returned briefly to Nigeria to plead successfully the appeal of a Shari'a death sentence, which had drawn international attention. Ibrahim, 35, a senior partner in a law firm in northern Nigeria, defended a woman condemned to death by stoning. As a Humphrey Fellow in the United States, she pursued advanced work in human rights law and received leadership training.



Humphrey Fellow Hauwa Ibrahim during an interview on PBS' *Frontline*.

- Jill Pribyl, a Fulbright Scholar, who lectured in dance at Makerere University in Kampala, Uganda, conducted workshops in choreography and dance theory in Harare, Zimbabwe. She also taught a contemporary dance master class for 60 students from the Theatre Arts Department of the University of Zimbabwe and conducted a training workshop at the National Ballet with teachers of children with special needs.
- Kenyon Wilson, U.S. Fulbright Scholar and musician in Baku, gave a master class for Tbilisi State Conservatory students and State Orchestra tubists and a concert, hosted by U.S. Ambassador to Georgia, Richard Monroe Miles, at the Ambassador's residence.
- Fulbright Professor Moain Sadeq of Gaza, while teaching at the University of Chicago, delivered a lecture and slide presentation on the historical landmarks in Jerusalem and their importance to that city's population of Jews, Christians, and Muslims. The audience for the event included the local academic community, the Chicago consular corps, the corporate and philanthropic communities, as well as other Fulbrighters.

- To commemorate Women's History Month, visiting Fulbright Professor Cynthia Henderson, an Assistant Professor at Ithaca College in Ithaca, New York, and a teacher of theatre at the University of Yaounde I, staged a performance in Yaounde, Cameroon

of Ntozake Shange's *For Colored Girls Who Have Considered Suicide When the Rainbow Is E'nuf*. The play, which attracted a full house of university professors, top-level women in politics, leaders of women's associations, and theater students provided an opportunity to send a message of strength in diversity.

- Fulbright Exchange Teacher Eric Wolf Welch, a history teacher from J.E.B. Stuart High School in Falls Church, Virginia, while on exchange in Sheffield, England, took his class to Normandy, France to commemorate the 60th anniversary of D-Day. Welch, along with students and colleagues from Birkdale School of Sheffield, and Fairfax County teachers Mary Kate Green and Shawn DeRose, laid commemorative wreaths at the American Cemetery at Omaha Beach and Tyne Cot British Cemetery in Flanders, Belgium, to honor those who died at those battle sites. The collaboration between the U.S. and U.K. schools represented the Anglo-American alliance during the world wars. Future students and teachers at both schools will benefit from the CD-ROM WWI and WWII lesson plan that resulted from this collaboration.

below: Fulbright Exchange Teacher Eric Wolf Welch at the American Cemetery at Omaha Beach.





A photograph from Fulbright Student Vanessa Vick's photographic essay showing a child born infected with HIV, in his hospital bed at the Joint Clinical Research Center in Kampala. Although **Compassion**, a non-governmental organization operating in Uganda, offered assistance for the child—paying for anti-retrovirals and all of his medical bills in an effort to save his life—help came too late and he died in May 2002. © VANESSA VICK

- U.S. Fulbright Student Vanessa Vick's photographic essay, "The Killing Fields" was published in *Vibe* magazine to document the faces of AIDS in Uganda. Vick has vowed to continue covering the AIDS epidemic in East Africa. *"It is my hope that by telling the stories of individuals through images and their own words that positive change will occur,"* said Vick, a Fulbright Student in Uganda in 2001–02.

- *Latina* magazine featured Fulbright Student Mireya Mayor as its *Mujer on the Move*. At the time, Mayor was in Madagascar conducting research on lemurs, a critically endangered species, to complete her Ph.D. in anthropology. Mayor also has been a field specialist and on-air correspondent for National Geographic's *Explorer* television series.

- Juan Camilo Cardenas, a Fulbright Student from Colombia to the University of Massachusetts, Amherst, 1993, has researched economics and its relationship to other disciplines. Over the years he has received a number of awards and grants to recognize and support his research conducted mostly in Colombia, regarding problems of inequality, regulation, and self-governance institutions for cooperation and the provision of local public goods. Most recently, he was awarded the Santa Fe Institute International Fellowship award and the Javeriana University Researcher Biannual Award. His doctoral thesis received the Joseph L. Fisher Dissertation Award from Resources for the Future and a paper from this received the first place research medal at the *Tokyo Conference 2000 of the Global Development Network*.

Juan Camilo Cardenas



- Fulbright Scholar Richard Hyland, while lecturing at Tsinghua University Law School, coached their Moot Court team to a sixth place finish among 128 teams worldwide at the International Commercial Arbitration Moot Court in Vienna. This was the first Chinese team to progress to the elimination round.
- The British Council awarded a plaque and \$1,000 to Richard B. Green High School for a mural project led by Fulbright Teacher exchange partners Edward Gold of the United States and Sophie Baker of the United Kingdom. Students in Edward Gold's 9th grade art class collaborated with UK teacher Sophie Baker. Students compared and contrasted Britain and the United States. The result was a multi-panel mural entitled "USA Meets London."
- 2002 Australian Fulbright Scholar Duong Le Quy received third prize in the 2003 Hartley-Merrill International Screenwriting Competition for his first feature screenplay, *Meat Party*. The award ceremony was held at the Cannes Film Festival on May 20, 2003. *Meat Party* has won numerous other awards including the 1997 NSW Writer's Fellowship, 1999

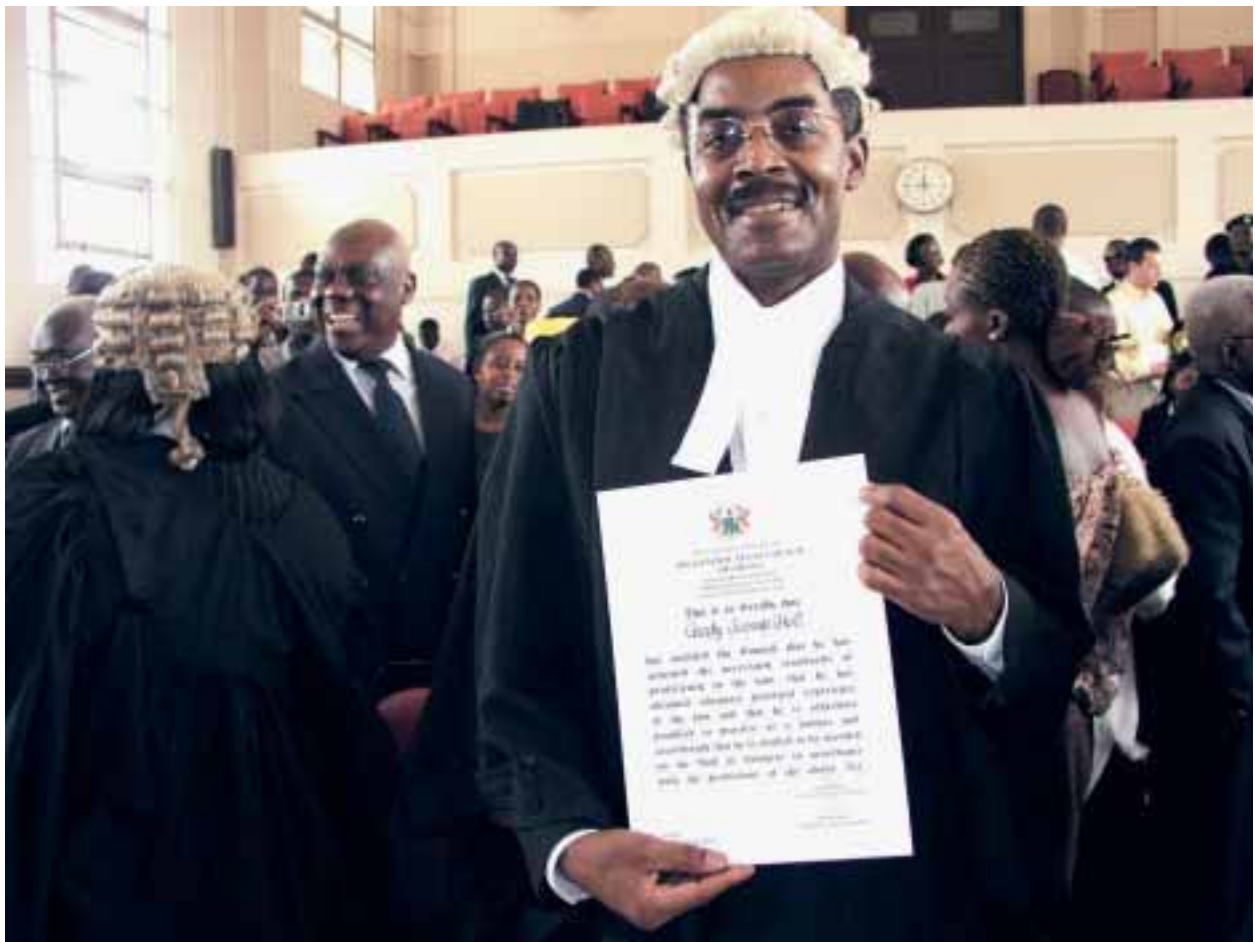


right: Fulbright Scholar Duong Le Quy.

Playbox-Asialink Asian Australian Playwriting Competition, and the 2001 Queensland Premier's Literary Award for Best Drama (Stage). *Meat Party* was also nominated for an AWGIE award.

- Ghana's Supreme Court Chief Justice Dr. George Kingsley presented a certificate to U.S. Fulbright Scholar Dr. Grady Jessup, enrolling him as a member of the Ghana Bar, during a ceremony at the Supreme Court in Accra. Dr. Jessup, while teaching at the Ghana School of Law, was the only U.S. citizen, along with nine Ghanaian lawyers, "called to the Bar" at the April event. Jessup sought admission to the Bar to understand better the legal culture in Ghana.

American Fulbright Scholar Dr. Grady Jessup holds his certificate enrolling him in the Ghana Bar, during a ceremony at the Supreme Court in Accra.





Secretary Colin L. Powell takes journalists' questions with Polish Foreign Minister and Fulbright alumnus Włodzimierz Cimoszewicz, May 2003.
U.S. Department of State photo by Michael Gross

- Two Fulbright alumni met with Secretary of State Colin L. Powell to discuss world issues in general and Iraq in particular. Poland's Minister of Foreign Affairs Włodzimierz Cimoszewicz, a Fulbright Scholar at Columbia University 1980–81, pledged Poland's support for the rebuilding of Iraq and urged other European partners to join in international reconstruction efforts. In Secretary Powell's meeting with Minister of Foreign Affairs, Luis Ernesto Derbez (Fulbright Student at the University of Oregon and Iowa State University, 1972–76), the discussion included Mexico's support for follow-up Iraq-related U.N. resolutions.
- Celebrated soprano Renée Fleming, a Fulbright Student in Germany in 1984–85, received a Grammy award for her album *Bel Canto*.
- Dawood Farahi, an Afghan Fulbrighter who studied in Kansas in the 1970s and could not return to Afghanistan because of the Russian invasion, later became a U.S. citizen and was named President of Keene University in New Jersey. He is the first Afghan-American to be named president of a U.S. university.
- Rio de Janeiro Federal Attorney General and professor of Law, Dr. Benedito Barbosa Gomes, became the first Afro-Brazilian appointed to Brazil's Supreme Court in its 174-year history. At the time of his appointment, he was a Fulbright Student on a short-term grant at UCLA focusing on civil society and doing research for a book on affirmative action in the United States.
- *Ms.* magazine featured an excerpt from *Crescent*, a new novel by Diana Abu-Jaber, a Fulbright Scholar in Jordan in 1996. The novel earned critical acclaim for challenging stereotypes of Arab-American women, presenting a more accurate depiction of Arab-American communities.
- Secretary of State Colin L. Powell and European Union High Representative for the Common Foreign and Security Policy Javier Solana, a Fulbright Student at the University of Virginia, 1966–67, were co-recipients of the Foreign Policy Association Medal at a dinner in New York City in May 2003.
- Diana Obregon, Fulbright Student from Colombia to Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University, 1997, won the National Award of Science in Colombia (2001). Author of the book entitled *Battles Against Leprosy: The State, Medicine and Science in Colombia*, Dr. Obregon has carried out important activities as an outstanding historian in science. Dr. Obregon is the Director of Curriculum Programs at Universidad Nacional, the leading public university in Colombia.
- Chile's President Ricardo Lagos named Luis Bates as the new Minister of Justice. Minister Bates, former head of the Chilean chapter of Transparency International, was a Fulbright Visiting Scholar at American University in 1990. Also in Chile's cabinet is Undersecretary (Deputy Minister) of Justice, Jaime Arellano, who was a Fulbright grantee at American University. The gradual implementation of Chile's new criminal judicial system was placed in the hands of these two former Fulbright grantees.

DANIEL PATRICK MOYNIHAN

Over the course of the Fulbright Program's more than five decades, many foreign Fulbright alumni have achieved prominence in government and politics. One of America's most prominent alumni in the world of politics, Senator Daniel Patrick Moynihan, died on March 26, 2003. He was 76. A true Renaissance man, Senator Moynihan was interested not only in politics and international affairs but also in architectural design. The Senator's first international education exchange was a Fulbright grant to the London School of Economics from 1950 to 1952. After a distinguished academic career, he served as the U.S. Ambassador to India, the U.S. Representative to the United Nations, and for four terms as a United States Senator from New York.

- Professor Nikiforos Diamandouros, who received a U.S. Fulbright Scholar grant in 1977–78 to conduct research at the Panteion University of Social and Political Sciences in Greece, became the newly elected European Union Ombudsman.

- Dr. Han Sung-Joo was named Korea's Ambassador to the United States. Dr. Han was a Fulbright Student at the University of New Hampshire from 1962-64 and went on to be the acting President of Korea University. He credits his Fulbright experience for his appointment, saying, *"Because of Fulbright, I was able to go to the University of New Hampshire in 1962 at a time when the Korean economy was such that one could not easily go abroad to study. Thus began my long-lasting relationship with the American people and American society. Fulbright opened a new world for me; it gave me the opportunity to begin my study of U.S. society and culture as well as its educational system, study that has continued to this day. I regard my Fulbright grant as one decisive factor in my becoming Korean Ambassador to the U.S.A."*

- Professor Tommy Koh, who was a Fulbright Student at Harvard University in 1963, has held concurrent appointments as Ambassador-At-Large for Singapore's Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Director of the Institute for Policy Studies and Chairman of the National Heritage Board. He served as Singapore's chief negotiator for the United States-Singapore Free Trade Agreement, which President George W. Bush and Prime Minister Goh Chok Tong signed at the White House.



Fulbright alumnus Dr. Han Sung-Joo, Ambassador of the Republic of Korea to the United States



Fulbright alumna Egyptian Jihan Al Aily



Fulbright Alumnus Tommy Koh, Ambassador-At-Large for Singapore

- Hungarian Prime Minister Peter Medgyessy appointed Dr. Miklós Persányi, (Humphrey Fellow, Cornell University, 1990–91), head of Budapest's Zoo and Botanical Gardens, as the country's Minister of the Environment.
- Jihan Al Aily, one of the first Egyptian Fulbright Conflict Resolution program participants and a veteran BBC radio reporter and producer in Cairo, was appointed editor of the new radio program *Lifeline Iraq* that airs daily in Iraq. Based in Baghdad, her programs deal with humanitarian issues, providing vital information on education, health, and security. The Fulbright Conflict Resolution Program was established in 2000 to enhance non-governmental efforts to resolve political, social, and sectarian conflicts in the Middle East and South Asia.
- Three Israeli Fulbright alumni were among the recipients of the Government of Israel's most prestigious award, the Israel Prize. Aaron Ciechanover, a Professor of Biochemistry and Director of the Rappaport Family Institute for Research in Medical Sciences at the Technion (Israel) Institute of Technology in Haifa, was a Fulbright Scholar at the Department of Biology at MIT and a member of the Israeli Fulbright Commission board. Menachem Amir, a Mildred and Benjamin Berger Professor of Criminology, who had a Fulbright doctoral grant to the University of Pennsylvania, is a world authority on organized crime. Aharon Megged, a member of the Academy of Hebrew Language, served as the Israeli

Cultural Attaché in London and was Writer in Residence at Haifa University and Oxford. Springing from the generation of writers associated with the 1948 War of Independence, Megged portrays the changing face of Israel. He participated as a Fulbright Scholar in the Iowa Writing Program.

- The President of the Republic of Finland awarded Dr. Pirjo Mäkelä the honorary title of Academician in recognition of her outstanding academic achievements. Mäkelä was the first Finnish woman to receive the title, which is the highest honor that can be bestowed upon any individual scientist in Finland. Professor Mäkelä, who was a Fulbright Student at Stanford University, is a pioneer of national health work in Finland. She is best known as a bacteriologist and for the major series of clinical investigations that led to the development and widespread adoption of a vaccine, which prevents meningitis in children.

- Barbara Ernst Prey, a 1979–1981 U.S. Fulbright Student in Germany, designed an original watercolor for the 2003 official White House Christmas card, which was sent to more than 1.5 million friends and family of President and Mrs. Bush. Prey has studios in New York and Maine and her works are displayed in the White House residence and in U.S. embassies in Prague and Oslo. She credits her Fulbright year in Germany for giving her the experience of a lifetime to study the arts in Europe and to become an artistic ambassador for her country.



Dr. Pirjo Mäkelä, Finnish Fulbrighter and Academician
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(l to r): Fulbright Fellow to Albania Xander Meise, Ambassador Fatos Tarifa and Mrs. Tarifa at the Embassy of Albania, Washington, DC, March 2003.



Fulbright alumna artist Barbara Prey works in her studio.
Photo by Barbara Ernst Prey

- Dr. Helen Anderson, New Zealand research scientist and biotechnology policy expert (Fulbright Scholar at University of California, 1990), was named chief executive for the Ministry of Research, Science and Technology, the government's principal advisor on scientific research and innovation.

- Evan Paki was named Papua New Guinea's new Ambassador to the United States. He was a Fulbright Student at Harvard Law School, 1997–98.

- Fulbright alumna Xander A. Meise exhibited photos of landscapes and portraits she took during her Fulbright year in Albania, at the Albanian Embassy in Washington, DC, in a show hosted by the Ambassador of the Republic of Albania, Dr. Fatos Tarifa, a Fulbright Scholar alumnus, and his wife.

- Paul Pfeiffer, an American artist and Fulbright Student in the Philippines, 1994–95, represented the United States at the 2003 International Cairo Biennale, the largest visual arts exposition in the Arab world and an important venue for dialogue between the United States and the Islamic world.

- Guillermo Castillo Villacorta, a Fulbright Student from Guatemala in 1995 at Northwestern University's Kellogg School where he received an MBA, was named Guatemala's Ambassador to the United States.

- Dr. Eduardo Ferrero Costa, a Fulbright Scholar from Peru at the University of California in 1986, was named Peru's Ambassador to the United States.